(b) if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor;

(c) whether all States and Territories have constituted committees with nominations of M.Ps belonging to respective States and Territories while implementing the programmes;

(d) whether the Government propose to take action against such States and Territories which have ignored nomination of concerned M.Ps.; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and if not, reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Monthly Progress Reports based on the information received from States and Union Territories are brought out by the Department of Programme Implementation. Copies of these Reports are supplied to the Parliament Library. The details of the achievement of States and Union Territories are available in these Reports.

(c) Most of the States and Union Territories have constituted District level Committees, interalia to monitor 20 Point Programme. M.Ps are represented on these Committees.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) The constitution of Committees at State, District and Block levels is the responsibility of State Governments/UT administrations.

Incomplete Projects of Eighth Plan in North-Eastern Region

1838. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that several Central projects of the Eighth Five Year Plan remained incomplete in North-eastern Region due to inadequacy of funds;

(b) if so, the details thereof, project-wise; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to complete the said projects in North-Eastern Region during the Ninth Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) to (c) The requisite information is being collected and would be laid on the Table of the House.

Financial Status of the States and Union Territories

1839. DR. ARUN KUMAR SARMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the gross fiscal deficit vs aggregate revenue deficit of each of States and Union Territories during last five years;

(b) factors responsible and measures contemplated to improve financial status of the States and UTs; and

(c) the growth rate and related economic indicators of various States and UTs, steps initiated to ensure optimum growth of each backward state?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS